Subject No. 245.
Bonds and Promissory Notes, Stamp law.

Summary of discussion.—The distinction under the Stamp law between "Bonds and "Promissory Notes" is too nice to be commonly understood, and people are often put to the necessity of paying heavy penalties. The distinction should be abolished. All documents of the kind may be regarded as bonds.

Dewan's reply.—Noted. Will be considered.

Subject No. 246.
Hulgaval tenure should be revived.

Summary of discussion.—In Taluks in which the Survey settlement has been introduced, the waste lands which the raiyats once held on hulgaval kandayam and used as pasture land have been fully assessed as if for cultivation. This entails hardship on raiyats and cattle. Such lands should be ordered to be assessed as usual at the hulgaval rates from 4 to 8 annas per acre. If the lands be sought for cultivation, they will be liable to be given out at full rates of assessment to the hulgaval holder or to the darkhastdar.

Dewan's reply.—Inexpedient.

Subject No. 247.
Exemption required of agricultural carts within Municipal limits from payment of cart tax.

Summary of discussion.—In villages which are not Municipal Towns carts used exclusively for agricultural purposes are exempt from cart tax. But not so if they are kept within Municipal Towns. This is hard on their owners who within Municipal limits have to pay house tax also and have to pay land assessments besides. It is requested that the rule of exempting agricultural carts may be extended to Municipalities also.

Dewan's reply.—Wheel taxes where they exist in Municipalities are Municipal revenue. Carts within Municipalities cannot under present rules be exempted on the ground of their being used for agricultural purposes only.

Subject No. 248.
English School required at Anekal.

Summary of discussion.—A Government English school is necessary at Anekal. It is requested that Government may sanction one.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to submit the necessary report.

Subject No. 249.
Famine Relief to non-cultivating classes.

Summary of discussion.—In seasons of drought like the present, maramat works carried out by Public Works Department agency afford relief to the laboring classes. But they afford no relief to non-laborers like Brahmins and Musalmans. Some measures must be devised by which State relief at such times may reach them also.

Dewan's reply.—Noted. Happily the necessity for State relief has for the present been averted by timely rain.

Subject No. 250.
Loans to Inamdars on security of their Inam villages.

Summary of discussion.—Raiyats paying large amount of kandayam and jodi to Government have become poor since the late famine. It is desirable to lend them money for agricultural improvements at a small rate of interest on the security of their immovable property.